

## WELCOME TO VENTURA

8/16/2020

Thanks for being here today! We welcome you to Ventura Baptist Church and pray that God would draw you closer to Himself through your time with us.

**Our Mission** is to *Pursue Jesus Together*.

“Christ died, and He died for all, so that those who live would no longer live for themselves, but for Him Who for their sake died and was raised” (2 Cor. 5:15). Believing in this truth compels us to live in three simple ways:



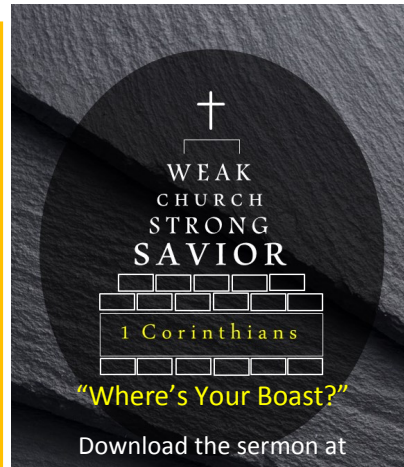
Exalting God



Edifying His Church



Evangelizing the World



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## MORNING SERVICE

- ◇ **Announcements & Call to Worship** Pastor Timothy
- ◇ **Song of Worship** *Blessed Be Your Name*
- ◇ **Prayer of Confession and Lament**
- ◇ **Song of Praise** *It Is Well With My Soul*
- ◇ **Scripture Reading & Prayer**
- ◇ **Sermon 1 Corinthians 9:1-18** Pastor Timothy
- ◇ **Song of Response** *How Deep the Father's Love for Us*
- ◇ **Benediction** 2 Corinthians 13:11,14

## GIVING

If you have an offering, you can place your offering in one of the offering plates that is located in the Gathering Center and the Main Auditorium.

Average Giving	\$6,067	Weekly Budget	\$6,409
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## THIS WEEK

TUE	6:30 PM	Midweek Fellowship @ Mast's
WED	6:30 PM 7:00 PM	Midweek Fellowships @ Jepma's, Koedyker's, Pollard's, Johnson's, Moeller's & Wolters'
THU	6:00 AM	Men's Breakfast

## EVENTS & INFORMATION

◆ **SQUAD SECRET AGENTS**— Calling all agents! We are in need of 22 Secret Agents (adult members) for the upcoming school year to secretly minister to our SQUAD (6th -8th grade) kids. This includes committing to praying for him/her and writing a letter anonymously once a month to encourage him/her. Please contact Heidi Covey ([heiditoddcovey@gmail.com](mailto:heiditoddcovey@gmail.com)) by **Aug. 31** if you are interested in participating.

◆ **LADIES NIGHT OUT**— Ladies, we hope you are planning to join us on **Sun, Aug 30 from 7—9 pm** for a night of fellowship and prayer. We will meet at **Ransom Park** (a link for directions can be found on the church calendar on the website) so please bring a chair or blanket to sit on. We will provide a frozen treat.

◆ **BENEVOLENCE OFFERING**—Once a quarter, on the 5th Sunday of the month, we take a special offering specifically for our Benevolence Fund. Our next offering will be on **Sun, Aug 30**, and you may mark your giving accordingly. So far this year we have been able to assist with housing costs, food/meals, medical costs, and car repair/ transportation needs both within our church and our community. The Benevolence Team would also like to remind you of our “**Care Cubbies**” located in the schoolhouse of the church. Items there are for anyone in the church to use for their own needs or to help meet needs of those in the community. We want these items to be used before they expire and have to be discarded.



Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD delivers him out of them all. He keeps all his bones; not one of them is broken. Affliction will slay the wicked, and those who hate the righteous will be condemned. The LORD redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned. Psalm 34:19-22

## MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH



### Regan & Mellie Martin: Missionaries to South Africa

Things continue to open up in South Africa, but coronavirus cases continue to rise as well; though our province, the Western Cape, seems to be past its peak. Meanwhile, we continue forward with ministry work as our faithful God opens/re-opens doors. *Pray for God's gracious hand on the fellowships as we emerge from lockdown, that our ministry may go forward wisely, faithfully, patiently, and fruitfully.*

A recent development that concerns us is that Mellie has been diagnosed with shingles. *Pray for God's hand healing her body and keeping our family through this trial and for His grace at work in us through it all.*